

PENZANCE (HAYLE DIVISION) PORT HEALTH AUTHORITY

Annual Report of Port Medical Officer & Port Health Inspector

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To Chairman and Members of the Port Health Committee

Mr. Chairman & Gentlemen,

Herewith is my report for the year ending 31st December 1966.

The scheme of sewage disposal for Hayle Towns independently of the main Hayle scheme was reconsidered and resulted in one treatment works for both areas being adopted. The matter was still being pursued at the end of the year.

Regarding dredging for tin in St. Ives Bay, a licence by the Crown Estate Commissioners was granted to Coastal Prospecting Ltd. subject to safeguarding coast erosion and subsequently Planning Permission was granted for extraction of a limited amount of sand from the foreshore at Gwithian for test purposes and subject to safeguarding conditions.

New Public Health (Ships) Regulations 1966 were introduced which inter alia amended certificates of vaccination for smallpox and yellow fever. As no shipping used the port from endemic areas of these diseases there was nothing to give you any concern.

26 bodies passed through the Mortuary during the year.

The operations in the port vary little from year to year and there were no specific points warranting your attention.

I am Mr. Chairman and Gentlemen,

Your obedient Servant,

P. E. Morris,

Port Medical Officer

Council Offices,
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Penzance

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ANNUAL REPORT OF PORT MEDICAL OFFICER AND PORT HEALTH INSPECTOR

FOR THE YEAR 1966

SECTION I - STAFF

Table "A"

<u>Name of Officer</u>	<u>Nature of Appointment</u>	<u>Date of Appointment</u>	<u>Qualification</u>	<u>Any other Appointment held</u>
P.M.Morris	Port Health Medical Officer	1st April, 1952	M.B. Ch.B	Police Surgeon Certifying Factory Doctor
J.W.Kitchens	Port Health Inspector	1st October 1952	P.H.I. Cert. M & F.I. Cert. R.S.I & S.I.E.J.B.	Chief Public Health Inspector, West Penwith R.D.C.

Address and Telephone Number of Port Medical Officer of Health: "Bonaer", Hayle 2315

SECTION II - Amount of Shipping entering the District during the year
Table "B"

<u>Ships from</u>	<u>Numbers</u>	<u>Tonnage</u>	<u>No. inspected by</u>		<u>No. of ships reported as having or having had during the voyage infectious disease on board</u>
			<u>M.O.H</u>	<u>P.H.I</u>	
Foreign Ports	12	5,955	11	Nil	Nil
Coastwise	267	147,801	17	Nil	Nil
Total	279	153,756	28	Nil	Nil

SECTION III - Character of Shipping and Trade during year

Passenger Traffic	(Number of passengers	INWARDS	-	Nil
		OUTWARDS	..	Nil
Cargo Traffic	(Principal Imports	...	Coal, Cement, Potatoes, Sulphur, Oil, Timber	
	(Principal Exports	...	Scrap Metals	
Principal Ports from which ships arrive		...	Ayr, Blythe, Goole, Port of London Fawley, Barry, Belfast, Milford Haven Bayonne, Baltic.	

SECTION IV - Inland Barge Traffic

Number and tonnage using the district and places served by the traffic - Nil

SECTION V

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Water Supply

- (1) Source of supply for (a) the district ... Mains supply from Drift via Mellanear filtered, chlorinated and pH corrected.
- (b) shipping ... Supply pipes taken through the docks with water points at intervals at dock side.
- (2) Reports of tests for contamination ... Samples satisfactory.
- (3) Precautions taken against contamination of hydrants and hosepipes. ... Dock Undertakers maintain water points and equipment in satisfactory condition.
- (4) Number and sanitary conditions of water boats and powers of control by the Authority. ... Nil
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SECTION VI

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Public Health (Ships) Regulations 1966

- (1) List of infected areas - Weekly records of Quarantinable Diseases are received and amendment of the list as applied to the Home Trade Ports made as and when required. This information is supplied to Pilots and Customs Officers where circumstances warrant.
- (2) Radio Messages - This is not a radio transmitting or receiving Port but arrangements are made with the dock owners to forward any radio messages they may receive in connection with infectious diseases.
- (3) Notifications otherwise than by radio - Arrangements made with Pilots and Customs Officers for notification and despatch of "Declarations of Health"
- (4) Mooring Stations - Stations have with approval of Harbour Master and Customs Officers been sited in the bay.
- (5) Arrangements for:-
- (a) Hospital Accomodation for infectious diseases - County Isolation Hospital, Truro, through No.1. Health Area Office, Penzance
- (b) Surveillance and follow up of contacts - Through normal channels of Public Health Department of Rural District Council and No.1. Health Area Office.
- (c) Cleansing and Disinfection of ships, persons, clothing and other articles - Disinfection of ships carried out under direction of Port Health Inspector. No facilities for personal cleansing. Clothing etc. steam disinfected at West Cornwall Hospital, Penzance, by arrangement
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SECTION VII

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Smallpox

- (1) Name of Isolation Hospital to which cases are sent from the district - Smallpox Hospital, Liskeard
- (2) Arrangements for transport of such cases to that hospital by ambulance etc. - (Dr. D.L. Johnson (Areas M.O.H) & Dr. St.John Brooks (West Cornwall Hospital) are the consultants who would be contacted and would arrange laboratory diagnosis and transport.
- (3) Name(s) of smallpox consultants {
- (4) Facilities for Laboratory diagnosis {

SECTION VIIIVenereal Disease

Location, days and hours of the available facilities for the diagnosis and treatment of venereal disease among merchant seamen.

Camborne/Redruth General Hospital.
West Cornwall Hospital, Penzance.
V.D. Clinic, every Thursday.

Customs Offices advise contact direct with M.O.H's surgery or Health Dept., West Penwith R.D.C. Penzance

SECTION IX
Table "D"Cases of Notifiable and Other Infectious Diseases on Ships

<u>Category</u>	<u>No. of cases during the year</u>			<u>No. of ships concerned</u>
	<u>Disease</u>	<u>Passengers</u>	<u>Crew</u>	
Cases landed from ships from foreign ports.	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
Cases which have occurred on ships from foreign ports but have been disposed of before arrival.	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
Cases landed from other ships	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil

SECTION XObservations on the occurrence of Malaria in Ships

No ships from areas of epidemic malaria visited the Port and I have no observations to make on its occurrence in those ships from foreign Ports visiting Hayle

SECTION XIMeasures taken against ships infected with or suspected for plague

No measures necessary

SECTION XIIMeasures against rodents in ships from Foreign Ports

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| (1) Procedure for inspection | -- | Routine examination. Validity of deratting or deratting exemption certificates. |
| (2) Arrangements for the bacteriological or pathological examination of rodents etc. | - | Public Health Laboratory Service, Royal Cornwall Infirmary, Truro.
No rodents sent for examination during the year. |
| (3) Arrangements for deratting ships, methods used etc. | - | Hayle is not an approved Port for this purpose. If necessary ships directed to Falmouth or other approved Port. |
| (4) Progress in the ratproofing of ships | - | Nil |

Table "E"

Rodents destroyed during the year
in Ships from Foreign Ports - Nil

Table "F"

Deratting Certificates and Deratting
Exemption Certificates issued during
the year for ships from Foreign Ports Nil

SECTION XIII - Inspection of ships for Nuisances

Table "G"

Inspections and Notices

<u>Nature and Number</u> <u>of Inspections</u>	<u>Notices Served</u>		<u>Results of</u> <u>Serving Notices</u>
	<u>Statutory Notices</u>	<u>Other Notices</u>	
As in Table "B"	Nil	Nil	Nil
Total 28	Nil	Nil	Nil

SECTION XIV - Public Health (Shell-Fish)
Regulations 1934 - 1948

Not applicable

SECTION XV - Medical Inspections of Aliens

Not applicable

SECTION XVI - Miscellaneous

Arrangements for the burial on shore of persons who have died on board ship from infectious disease.	Port M.O.H. in conjunction with District M.O.H. institute procedure prescribed by Section 162 P.H.A. 193
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